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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : I. HALACHMI et al
Serial No. : 10/500,788
Filed : January 11, 2005
For : IDENTIFICATION OF SMALL RUMINANTS
Art Unit : 3643
Examiner : NGUYEN, SON T.
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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed
February 16, 2006, the term for response to which expires on
March 16, 2006.

ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-15 and 20-26, for
further prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits
now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully
responsive to the outstanding Office Action.